



REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

MEETING DATE: July 17, 2023
PREPARED BY: Ken Ashfeld, P.E., Director of Public Works, City Engineer
AGENDA ITEM: Purchase of tar and tack applicator

PREVIOUS ACTIONS:

Council previously approved annual operating budgets which provide for equipment replacement fund.

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION:

Motion to approve the purchase of tar and tack applicator at a cost of \$41,217 to be funded from the equipment replacement fund.

COMMENTS:

The public works streets division is reliant on a tar and tack applicator to repair potholes and do street maintenance. The current applicator was purchased in 2008 and has rapidly deteriorated as experienced by breakdowns causing work interruptions. This equipment is scheduled for replacement in 2024 and would normally receive City Council approval within the 2024 budget proposals. With a delivery backlog of 300 days, as recently informed by the provider, it is recommended that Council approve the purchase in advance of the 2024 budget discussions so that delivery can be assured for the spring, 2024 pothole season.

The equipment would be provided by Stepp Manufacturing at a cost of \$41,217. The existing equipment has exhausted its useful life. Therefore, there is no trade-in value and will be retained within the equipment fleet awaiting delivery of the new equipment which is now projected for May, 2024.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.